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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Previously presented): The process of claim 12 wherein said nonwoven fabric has a basis weight in the range of from about 34 gsm to about 88 gsm.
3. (Previously presented): The process of claim 12 wherein said nonwoven fabric opposing surfaces have a difference in demonstrated alcohol repellency of at least about 30% when exposed to isopropyl alcohol of varying concentrations.
4. (Canceled)
5. (Previously presented): The process of claim 13 wherein said nonwoven fabric opposing surfaces have a difference in demonstrated alcohol repellency of at least about 30% when exposed to isopropyl alcohol of varying concentrations.
6. (Previously presented): The process of claim 12 wherein said nonwoven fabric comprises a spunbond layer and a meltblown layer.
7. (Previously presented): The process of claim 6 wherein said nonwoven fabric comprises a meltblown layer between two spunbond layers.
8. (Previously presented): The process of claim 13 wherein said nonwoven fabric comprises a spunbond layer and a meltblown layer.
9. (Previously presented): The process of claim 12 wherein said nonwoven fabric has a hydrostatic head of at least about 50mB.
10. (Previously presented): The process of claim 13 wherein said nonwoven fabric has a hydrostatic head of at least about 50mB.
11. (Previously presented): The process of claim 8 wherein said nonwoven fabric has a hydrostatic head of at least about 50mB.
12. (Currently amended) A process for producing a lightweight nonwoven fabric having opposing first and second surfaces, one of which is rich in antistatic agent and one of which has minimal antistatic agent, said fabric having a treatment add-on in the range of from about 0.017 gsm to about 1.08 gsm and good barrier properties as measured by a rating of at least 3 when measured with 70% isopropyl alcohol for alcohol repellency and less than about 0.50 seconds static decay test,

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comprising the steps of:

applying an alcohol repellency treatment containing an antistatic agent to a first or both of said surfaces, resulting in an alcohol treatment add-on level of about 0.05 gsm to about 0.41 gsm and in a separate step, applying an antistatic treatment containing an antistatic agent to the second surface only of said fabric resulting in an antistatic treatment add-on level of about 0.017 gsm to about 1.08 gsm.

13. (Previously presented): The process of claim 12 wherein the step of applying an antistatic treatment occurs prior to fully curing the alcohol repellency treatment.